

# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Final Report

Location: New Market, VA Accident Number: NYC05CA007

Date & Time: 10/15/2004, 2330 EDT Registration: N130SV

Aircraft: Beech A23 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Injuries: 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation - Personal

# **Analysis**

During the night takeoff roll, as the pilot was rotating the airplane, the left stabilator struck a deer. A portion of the left stabilator separated, and the pilot continued the takeoff. The pilot then circled the airport and performed an emergency landing on the same runway. During the landing, the nose gear collapsed and the airplane came to rest in a grassy area beyond the end of the runway.

# **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: A collision with a deer during the takeoff roll. A factor in the accident was the night.

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: TAKEOFF

**Findings** 

1. (C) OBJECT - ANIMAL(S)

2. (F) LIGHT CONDITION - NIGHT

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Occurrence #2: GEAR COLLAPSED Phase of Operation: LANDING

# **Factual Information**

### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Private	Age:	23, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1	Last FAA Medical Exam:	07/08/2004
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	205 hours (Total, all aircraft), 30 hours (Total, this make and model)		

# Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Beech	Registration:	N130SV
Model/Series:	A23	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	MB-485
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	
Date/Type of Last Inspection:		Certified Max Gross Wt.:	
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	0-320
Registered Owner:	David J. Marcussen	Rated Power:	
Operator:	David J. Marcussen	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Night
Observation Facility, Elevation:	OKV, 727 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	40 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	2320 EST	Direction from Accident Site:	40°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	3 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	Calm /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	Variable	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30.22 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	8°C / 8°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	New Market, VA (8W2)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	2330 EDT	Type of Airspace:	Class G

## **Airport Information**

Airport:	New Market Airport (8W2)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:		Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	24	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	None

# Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	38.650556, -78.700556

## **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Robert J Gretz	Report Date:	12/28/2004
Additional Participating Persons:			
Publish Date:			
Note:	This accident report documents the to the NTSB.	factual circumstances of	this accident as described
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